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Selectmen's Report.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1897.

Valuation of the resident real estate,		$199,300
Valuation of non-resident real estate,		41,790
Number of horses,	167	7,695
" cows,	426	10,620
" neat stock,	18	295
" sheep,	2	10
" hogs,	1	10
" oxen,	2	100
" fowls,	120	55
" carriages,	13	870
Stock in trade,		10,075
Money at interest,		35,382
Polls,		13,600
Mills,		600
		$320,402

On which valuation the selectmen have assessed the following amounts:

State tax,	$615 00
County tax,	708 05
Town tax,	500 00

School tax,	$615 00
Extra school tax,	300 00
Library,	86 90
Highway,	961 21
	$3,786 16

The selectmen have received and paid to the treasurer the following:

State railroad tax,	$132 41
" savings bank tax,	150 84
" literary fund,	49 60
	$332 85

The selectmen have given orders on the treasurer as follows:

School board,	$915 00

SNOW BILLS.

Spring of 1898,	$294 72

EXPENSES ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

James M. Nesmith, agent,	$961 21

MISCELLANEOUS.

John B. Clarke Co., printing town reports,	$23 20
John K. Mason, repairs on school house district No. 2,	30 10
John K. Mason, notifying unlicensed dog owners,	3 50
George E. Wright, transient poor, 1896,	20 00
John Little, watering trough, 1896-1897,	6 00

George A. Page, housing road machine,	$2 00
Trustees of Academy, rent for hall,	30 00
School board for school supplies,	44 23
Jay W. Stickney, repairs on road machine,	2 50
M. B. Mason, road machine plate and bolts,	7 50
Samuel B. Mason, watering trough, 1897,	3 00
George E. Wright, transient poor, 1897,	10 00
John Little, watering trough, 1895,	3 00
John Pettingill, books and stationery,	3 15
Hanscom Bros., for badges,	4 50
	$192 68

Paid library,	$86 90

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1896.

Charles H. Caswell,	$1 30
M. D. Hest,	1 95
David H. McLellen, taxed in Salem,	1 63
Charles R. Page,	1 30
E. F. Palmer,	1 95
Wm. Taylor,	1 56
Bert Wood,	1 30
Sydney E. Welsh,	1 43
Geo. C. Scott,	1 30
Sydney Carpenter, illegal,	2 60
Exeter savings bank, illegal,	6 50
Heirs of Joseph Little, illegal,	2 60
	$25 42

1897.

Orace Durfere, under age,	$1 12
Frank H. Noyes, taxed elsewhere,	1 40
E. F. Palmer,	1 23
Charles Sanborn,	1 34
Heirs of Joseph Little, illegal,	2 24
R. V. Beede, soldier,	1 12
Lewis McConihe, soldier,	1 12
——— Makin, soldier,	1 12
	$36 11

TOWN OFFICERS.

School board,	$30 00
George A. Page, town clerk,	16 00
Gilman Greenough, treasurer,	14 00
John Pettingill, selectman,	45 00
Herbert N. Sawyer, selectman,	25 00
Jay W. Stickney, selectman,	25 00
S. B. Mason, collector,	50 00
S. B. Mason, district clerk,	1 00
George P. Dow, board of health,	1 00
Herman Noyes, supervisor, 1897,	4 50
George G. Emerson, supervisor,	4 50
	$216 00

RECAPITULATION.

Amount in collector's warrant,	$3,589 62
Received from other sources,	332 85
	$3,922 47

Paid on account of schools,	$1,038 51	
snow bills,	294 72	
highways and bridges,	961 21	
library,	86 90	
Miscellaneous expenses,	192 68	
Abatement of taxes,	36 11	
Paid on account town officers,	216 00	
State tax,	615 00	
County tax,	708 05	
		$4,149 18
Balance against the town,		$226 71

JOHN PETTENGILL, }
HERBERT N. SAWYER, } Selectmen of Atkinson.

ATKINSON, Feb. 15, 1898.

The auditors find the accounts of the selectmen, treasurer and collector accurately kept, correctly computed and properly vouched for.

GEORGE P. DOW, }
S. B. MASON, } Auditors.

Collector's Report.

The collector charges himself with amount in warrant,		$3589 62
Credits himself:		
With receipts of treasurer,	$3259 54	
Discount on taxes,	159 39	
	$3418 93	
Uncollected taxes,		170 69

S. B. MASON, Collector.

Atkinson, Feb. 15, 1898.

Treasurer's Report.

The treasurer charges himself with:

Cash on hand February 15, 1897, as per report,		$588 95
Error in transcribing order No. 30, 1896,		8 00
Received from state:		
railroad tax,		132 41
savings bank tax,		150 84
literary fund,		49 60
town clerk, dog licenses,		71 90
taxes of 1896,		211 84
interest on same,		9 70
S. B. Mason, collector of taxes of 1897,		3259 54
		$4482 78

And credits himself:

By paying state tax,	$615 00	
county tax,	708 05	
selectmen's orders,	2826 13	
		4149 18
Cash in hands of treasurer,		$333 60

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount due from taxes of 1896,	$26 00
Amount due from taxes of 1897,	170 69
Cash in treasury,	333 60
Balance in favor of town,	$530 29

GILMAN GREENOUGH, Treasurer.

Highway Agent's Report.

W. W. Hatch,	$18 55
S. N. Little,	15 90
J. H. Noyes,	18 85
J. Richards,	3 80
T. B. Chase,	7 05
A. Dow,	11 25
H. Pierce,	2 55
C. Greenough,	1 20
George Sawyer,	3 00
E. H. Poor,	3 75
D. C. Foot,	18 00
W. C. Noyes,	14 25
W. B. Wason,	43 30
	$161 45

C. F. Noyes,	$37 75
Frank Greenough,	11 25
Daniel Hall,	2 00
G. E. Emerson,	9 00
Daniel Card,	9 00
Daniel Smith,	9 75
John Shedd,	6 00
John Elkins,	3 30
Hiram Pierce,	3 00
Jason Given,	4 50

Joshua Richards,	$4 00
Ezekiel Stickney,	13 80
J. H. Noyes,	9 00
	$122 35
Albert Little,	14 45
M. B. Stevens,	28 70
Horace Bricket,	77 56
Plank for bridge,	2 70
Theodore Trefry,	5 45
John Hall,	5 00
John Little,	12 00
George Damon,	3 90
George E. Wright,	12 75
J. H. Noyes,	9 00
Joshua Richards,	4 00
Wallace McConihe,	4 50
Arthur Dow,	3 00
Harrison Tilton.	2 25
James Knight,	4 50
T. B. Chase,	9 00
	$198 76
E. P. Hoitt,	$11 50
E. E. Sawyer,	47 25
T. B. Chase,	22 00
E. H. Poor,	30 00
G. Thompson,	3 00
W. Thompson,	3 00
J. Spicer,	2 25
W. McConihe,	4 50

W. A. Smith,	$25 75
W. A. Barnum,	3 50
W. B. Reynolds,	5 00
C. B. Wheeler,	7 50
W. W. Hatch,	36 75
A. Dow,	10 00
W. A. Wilson,	11 00
H. Tilton,	13 75
F. H. Knight,	3 97
H. Pierce,	6 15
C. Greenough,	1 50
C. Mason,	2 50
O. Tilton,	19 50
George Page,	1 50
M. Hall, lumber for bridge,	11 60
B. O. Wood,	25 15
J. H. Noyes,	12 00
J. Hall,	1 25
H. N. Sawyer,	93 10
J. Pettengill,	1 75
G. Gile,	7 45
Campbell,	1 30
A. S. Cole,	17 25
J. M. Nesmith,	35 93
	$478 65
	161 45
	122 35
	498 76
Total,	$961 21

SNOW BILL.

C. F. Noyes,	$7 50
Frank Greenough,	3 90
Daniel Smith,	2 25
George Emerson,	2 00
John Elkins,	2 85
Amos Winter,	3 45
E. Stickney,	3 60
J. Given,	1 20
J. K. Mason,	2 70
J. Spicer,	1 95
D. Card,	1 20
D. Z. Reynolds,	4 05
J. B. Shedd,	2 10
	$38 75

J. M. Nesmith.

H. N. Sawyer,	$24 60
John Pettengill,	2 25
J. W. Pettengill,	2 55
C. A. Knight,	4 13
Frank Thomas,	2 78
A. S. Cole,	6 45
A. P. Cole,	2 25
L. W. Cole,	6 45
A. M. Cole,	6 00
George Freeman,	11 05
Arthur Dow,	3 23
H. Tilton,	2 78
O. Tilton,	3 38
W. McConihe,	75

W. W. Smith,	$3 08
A. A. Smith,	3 45
W. A. Smith,	2 25
Robert Taylor,	45
L. E. Marble,	2 10
M. G. Calef,	4 40
F. B. Maddox,	40
E. Averill,	1 15
C. Averill,	1 15
A. Averill,	80
E. P. Hoitt,	5 25
E. H. Poor,	15 00
W. A. Wilson,	3 60
	$134 48

W. B. Wason,	$6 28
G. M. Wason,	1 80
W. W. Hatch,	3 80
W. M. Cragin,	2 33
Arthur Noyes,	1 95
Hermon Noyes,	4 64
Geo. Clay,	3 45
Hiram Pierce,	2 55
G. P. Noyes,	1 50
J. Richards,	3 90
S. N. Little,	5 30
E. E. Sawyer,	2 85
George Sawyer,	68
D. C. Foote,	30
	$41 33

Horace Bricket,	$14 67
M. B. Stevens,	13 20
Albert Little,	45
Theodore Trephry,	6 57
Elmer Conley,	4 95
D. Hill,	5 40
Chas. Frye,	4 80
A. Kimball,	6 45
John Little,	3 00
Geo. Damon,	2 40
Gideon Conley,	1 50
T. Young,	6 52
McConihe,	4 25
Geo. Page,	3 75
James Knight,	3 00
Fred Knight,	3 00
T. B. Chase,	1 50
S. B. Mason,	1 00
Chas. Waterhouse,	1 05
Geo. E. Wright,	3 50
Samuel Frankie,	90
Fred Wright,	1 05
	$92 91
Whole amount,	$294 72

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

The following report is respectfully submitted for the year ending March 1, 1898.

SCHOOL NO. 1.

The spring term of this school began on May 3, and ended July 2, being nine weeks in length. Whole number of different pupils registered 17, a majority of whom entered late in the term and reduced the average attendance to 9.

The fall term began September 6, and continued until November 19, being eleven weeks in length, with 14 pupils in attendance and with a daily average attendance of nearly 12.

The winter term was four weeks in length, ending on December 24. Whole number of scholars 10, with an average attendance of 8.

All three terms were under the instruction of Florice A. Merrill, of Kingston, the teacher of the school in 1896.

The name of Florence B. Given is on the roll of perfect attendance for the whole year, and that of Irving Emerson for the fall and winter terms.

SCHOOL NO. 2.

The spring term of this school began April 12, and continued until July 2, a period of twelve weeks, and was composed of 12 different pupils, with an average attendance of 11.

Teacher Susie J. Wason, of Chester, who by her perseverance and enterprise raised the necessary funds for the purchase of a

flag for the school house, and which was presented to the school with appropriate ceremonies on the afternoon of May 28.

The fall term was eleven weeks in length, beginning September 7, and ending November 19. Whole number of scholars, 12, average daily attendance 11. A winter term ending December 24 was also kept with the same number of scholars and the same average attendance. Both fall and winter terms were taught by Alice M. Nichols, of Kingston, a graduate of Sanborn seminary. We find on the roll of perfect attendance the names of Bailey Bartlett and Clifton Bartlett, for the three terms; those of Elsie Conley, Ethel Corkum, Oscar Little and Hazel Little, for two terms, and Lena Conley and Charles J. Halpen, for one term.

SCHOOL NO. 3.

The spring term of this school also began April 12, and continued for twelve weeks, closing on July 2. Whole number of scholars in attendance during the term, 19, with an average daily attendance of 17. The fall term of eleven weeks in length began September 6, and closed on November 19. Whole number of different pupils attending this term, 21; average attendance, 17. The short winter term of four weeks was attended by 19 different pupils with an average attendance of 15. Teacher for the entire year, Mary G. Calderwood, of this town, who has now had charge of the school, with the exception of a single term, for three successive years.

We are sorry to report that only three names appear on the roll of perfect attendance, those of Alice M. Batchelder and Carrie F. Batchelder, for two terms, and that of Bertha M. Clay, for one term. This is our largest school and located in our most compact neighborhood, but from some unaccountable reason makes the poorest showing in respect to punctuality and regularity of attendance of any school in town.

SCHOOL NO. 4.

The spring term of this school began April 12, and continued in session for twelve weeks, or until July 2. Whole number of scholars in attendance 8, with an average attendance of 7. The fall term was eleven weeks in length, closing November 19, and was also composed of 8 pupils and the same average attendance of 7.

The winter term began December 6, and finished December 31, having a length of four weeks and with the same number of pupils as the fall term. These three terms were all taught by Martha L. Coolidge, of Chester, this being her full third year as teacher of the school. We find that Arthur Sawyer was present, with the exception of one session, for the entire year; that Ralph Freeman and Arthur Wood were present every day during two terms, and that Lizzie Welch was present for the same time, with the exception of a single half day.

SCHOOL NO. 5.

The spring term of this school also began April 12, and continued for twelve weeks with 11 different scholars and an average attendance of only 8, owing, no doubt, to the entrance of new pupils near the middle of the term and their departure previous to its close. The fall term began September 12, and was 11 weeks in length. Whole number of pupils attending this term 7, with an average attendance of nearly the same number. The winter term of four weeks began November 29, but did not close until December 30 on account of the illness of the teacher, the same pupils being in attendance, and with about the same daily average as during the previous term.

Teacher: Katherine N. Brown, of Kingston, for the whole year.

Ethel Damon, Lillian Frye and Mabel Russell were not

absent or tardy during the whole year. George Conley was present at the beginning of every session of the spring term, and Isabel McConiche during the winter term.

The foregoing, taken in connection with the treasurer's report and the tabular statement appended hereto, will furnish our citizens with nearly all the information they need in regard to the condition of our common schools during the past year. They will see that they have had—with the exception of the school in No. 1—three terms of an aggregate length of 27 weeks in each of the schools. In No. 1 the spring term did not begin, owing to the prevalence of whooping cough in the neighborhood, until May 3, after the other schools had been in session for three weeks. They will also see that, in accordance with the usual custom of the school board, the former teachers have been re-engaged whenever it has been deemed advisable and for the best interests of the schools. In No. 2, however, a new teacher was engaged at the beginning of the year, but at the close of the spring term resigned to enter upon a new, and, we trust, more congenial employment. A competent substitute was, however, soon found for the vacant place in the person of Miss Alice M. Nichols of Kingston, who filled the position in a very creditable manner, and to the entire satisfaction of the parents and citizens of that locality. And while in general we find much to commend in those who have filled the responsible and often times trying positions of teachers in our public schools, still there are some practices that have been brought to our attention during the past year which would seem to invite some criticism on the part of the school board. We allude to the custom that some of our teachers have of closing their schools upon their own responsibility whenever they have felt so inclined or wished to use a part or the whole of a day for their own pleasure or gratification without con-

sulting the board as to the advisability of so doing. This, we think, is entirely wrong, and a practice that cannot be too strongly condemned. Sickness of the teacher is, of course, one of the best of reasons for closing a school, and in such case no excuse is needed, and, in many instances, a storm is a good reason for shortening or entirely omitting a session of a school, but at most other times no teacher should close a school without asking leave and giving a good reason therefor.

SCHOOL REGISTERS.

In most cases our registers have been filled out neatly and legibly. In other instances, however, the opposite has been the case, the answers to the questions proposed therein being clearly incorrect, and many not being answered at all; and in one case the register has been filled, or partially filled out, with a lead pencil! While a lead pencil may, perhaps, with propriety be used in a friendly correspondence, its use in filling out a public record is so manifestly improper that the wonder is that any one could be found so heedless as to make use of it for such a purpose.

The law of our state directs that a portion of a teacher's wages shall be withheld until the register is properly filled out and returned. While this requirement has not been insisted on in the past, we are strongly of the opinion that, in view of the condition of some of the registers returned of late, its provisions should hereafter be strictly and impartially enforced, as it is obviously as much of a teacher's duty to make the required entries in the register as it is to attend to the recitations of her pupils or maintain order and decorum in the schoolroom.

GILMAN GREENOUGH,
MARY L. WHEELER,
HERBERT N. SAWYER,
} School Board.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

Number of School	1			2			3			4			5		
Term.	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter
Length of School in Weeks	9	11	4	12	11	4	12	11	4	12	11	4	12	11	4
Whole Number of Scholars	17	14	10	12	12	12	19	21	19	8	8	8	11	7	7
Number of Scholars in Reading	17	10	8	12	12	12	19	21	19	8	8		11	5	7
Spelling	11	10	8	12	12	12	19	21	19	8	8		11	5	7
Penmanship	11	10	8	12	12	12	15	19	17	7	7		11	5	7
Arithmetic	3	6	6	12	10	10	12	12	11	7	7		9	5	5
Geography	2	3	3	5	10	10	8	8	7	3	4		9	5	5
Grammar	2	3	3	6	10	10	3	4	3	3	4		6	5	5
History	1	1	1	4	3	3	1	1	2	1	1		4	5	5

School Treasurer's Report.

The school district treasurer charges himself with:

Amount of school tax required by law,	$615 00
Extra school money voted by town,	300 00
Literary fund,	49 60
Balance of dog licenses for 1896,	73 91
	$1,038 51

He credits himself as follows:

Deficiency reported Feb. 15, 1897,			$22 84
Paid Florice A. Merrill, teaching school		No. 1,	168 00
Susie J. Wason,	"	No. 2,	84 00
Alice M. Nichols,	"	No. 2,	105 00
Mary G. Calderwood,	"	No. 3,	189 00
Martha L. Coolidge,	"	No. 4,	189 00
Katherine N. Brown,	"	No. 5,	189 00
M. G. Calef, for supplies, 1896,			3 43
for broom, glass and lock for No. 5,			67
John B. Shedd, sawing wood, No. 1,			1 50
John F. Prescott, blackboard, No. 1,			2 00
for cleaning schoolhouse in No. 5,			1 00
James H. Noyes, wood for No. 3,			3 75
George E. Emerson, wood for No. 1,			4 85
H. N. Sawyer, wood for No. 4,			5 00

Paid Bailey Bartlett, care and fires, No. 2,	$2 00
Irving Emerson, " No. 1,	1 00
B. H. Steele, repairs, No. 3,	1 15
George Conley, fires, No. 5,	1 20
Mary L. Wheeler, wood and supplies, No. 2,	8 96
W. M. Cragin, wood for No. 3,	2 38
W. F. Wilson, sawing wood and care, No. 3,	3 50
	$989 23
Cash in hands of treasurer,	49 28
	$1,038 51

GILMAN GREENOUGH, Treasurer.

ATKINSON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT.

The following report is submitted for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898:

During the past year the accessions of new books have been 71; 24 by purchase and 47 by gift, of which 20 volumes were magazines for binding, making a total number of volumes of 781. The average circulation has been 30.

Three hundred and twenty cards have been issued to the present time, which shows the general interest of the citizens in the library, and there can now be very few families in town that have not cards, and do not enjoy its privileges. In this way the children of parents who are not able to purchase books have access to those of the library, and are gaining a love for reading, which, besides giving them much pleasure, may go with them and influence them during their lives.

The following is a list of those who recognize its needs and have presented books: Elbridge Greenough, Byron Noyes, Miss S. E. Page, Miss M. A. Page, Mrs. M. E. Tuttle, Frank E Steele, W. W. Hatch and the Atkinson Reading Club, and from Benjamin Steele a case, arranged and lettered especially for sets of books.

The committee are gratified to be able to report that the duties of the librarian have been performed in a manner entirely satisfactory, and that they hear only words of praise from patrons.

HERMAN NOYES.
GILMAN GREENOUGH.
EUGENE E. SAWYER.

LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT.

The library treasurer charges himself with:

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1897,	$ 80
Received from town,	86 90
" librarian's fines,	1 47
	$89 17

He credits himself as follows:

Paid DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., for books,	$22 02
F. J. Barnard, binding magazines,	10 16
Express on books and magazines,	1 25
Alice F. Gilbert, services as librarian,	50 00
" for postage,	22
Book slips,	1 25
Sawyer & Heath, insurance,	4 00
	$88 90
Cash in hands of treasurer,	$ 27

GILMAN GREENOUGH,
Treasurer.

LIST OF BOOKS ADDED TO LIBRARY DURING YEAR.

The Armenian Crisis in Turkey.—F. D. Greene.
Austin, Jane—Emma,
Mansfield Park,
Pride and Prejudice.
Barr, Amelia E.—The Bow of Orange Ribbon.
Barrie, J. M.—Margaret Ogilvey.
Barrows, S. J. & I. C.—Shaybacks in Camp.
Bigelow, Poultney—Whiteman's Africa.
Book of the Pilgrimage—W. L. Greene & Co.
Brown, Alice—Meadow Grass.
Caine, Hall—The Christian.
Century Magazine, 8 volumes
Dickens, Charles—American Notes.
Bleak House, 2 volumes,
Christmas Books,
Christmas Stories.
Dombey and Son, 2 volumes.
Great Expectations.
Little Dorrit, 2 volumes,
Martin Chuzzlewit, 2 volumes.
No Thoroughfare.
Old Curiosity Shop, 2 volumes,
Oliver Twist,
Pictures from Italy,
Sketches by Boz.
Jackson, Edward P.—Conduct as a fine Art.
Harper's Magazine, 5 volumes.

Harrison, Benjamin—This Country of Ours.
Haynes, Martin A.—History of 2d Regiment.
Hutchinson, J. G.—Roster of 4th Regiment.
Kipling, Rudyard—Captains Courageous.
Lillie, Lucy C.—A Girl's Ordeal.
Elinor Belden,
Ruth Endicott's Way.
Little, Henry F. W.—The 7th Regiment.
Lord, Edward O.—The 9th Regiment.
Marden, O. S.—Pushing to the Front.
Mitchell, S. Weir—Hugh Wynne, 2 volumes.
Murray, W. H. H.—The Mystery of the Woods.
New England Magazine, 3 volumes.
Rowan, A. L.—The Island of Cuba.
Scribner's Magazine, 5 volumes.
Spofford, H. P.—Three Heroines of New England, Romance.
Thaxter, Celia—Stories and Poems for Children.
Trask, Julian F.—Report of Bureau of Labor, of N. H.
Trowbridge, John—What is Electricity.
Trowbridge, J. T.—Cupid's Cave.
Cupon Bonds.
Farnell's Folly.
Neighbor's Wives.
Vose, John (of Atkinson)—System of Astronomy.
Wood, Mrs. Henry—East Lynn.

Births Registered in the Town of Atkinson, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1897.

Date, 1897.	Name of Child, [if any.]	Sex	No. of Child.	Living or Still born.	Color	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
March 12	Harold E Noyes	M	2	L	All White	Harry I Noyes	Mary L Emerson	Atkinson	Hampstead
April 6	Ernestine H Barnum	F	3	L		Walter A Barnum	Lucinda J Noyes	Iron Hill, P Q	Atkinson
11	Grace L Calef	F	8	L		Moses G Calef	Lilla B Pemberton	Boscawan	Groveland, Mass
28	Mildred E Clay	F	2	L		Henry N Clay	Ida F Gove	West Newbury, Mass	Atkinson
30	Elbridge F Noyes	M	2	L		Cyrus F Noyes	Olive K Chase	Hampstead	Salem
Aug. 5	Alice M Beede	F	4	L		Reuben W Beede	Annie N Jackson	Gilmanton	Melrose, Mass
Sept. 23	—— Wentworth	F	1	L		Samuel W Wentworth	Maud E Batchelder	Plaistow	Atkinson
28	Charles B Wheeler Jr	M	1	L		Charles B Wheeler	Mary L Thomas	Dexter, Me	Atkinson

Marriages Registered in the Town of Atkinson, for the year ending Dec. 31, '97.

Date, 1897.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Ages in yrs.	Color	Place of Birth of each.	Name of Parents.	Conditions.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of person by whom married.
Aug. 26	Salem Depot	Gideon D Conley	Atkinson	49	White	Atkinson	Gideon W Conley Sarah Chase	3	Joseph H Fletcher Salem
		Frances W Jackson	Salem	23		Middleboro, Mass	John Jackson	1	Baptist minister

Deaths Registered in the Town of Atkinson, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1897.

Date.	Name and Surname of the deceased.	Age. Years	Months	Day	Place of Birth.	Male or Female.	Colar	Single, Married or Widowed	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother	Place of Birth. Father.	Place of Birth. Mother.
Jan. 29	Justus W Peaslee	76	6	5	Atkinson	M	All White	M	John Peaslee	Martha Barnard	Plaistow	Amesbury Mills
Feb. 21	Hannah S Brickett	87	6			F		S	Edmund Brickett	Betsey Goodrich		
Mar. 20	Harriet N Noyes	30	11	20	Concord	F		M	Calvin H Weeks	Henrietta Worthen	Concord	Haverhill, Mass
21	Samuel P Foote	64	1	21	Haverhill, Ms	M		M	Nathaniel Foote	Mehitable Martin	Haverhill, Mass	"
27	Henry J S Knight	74	4		Atkinson	M		M	Samuel Knight	Elizabeth Smith	Atkinson	Byfield, Mass
May 22	Harriet N Russell	64	5	6	Bloomfield, Me	F		M	Ira Mason	Mary A Tozier	Bloomfield, Me	Fairfield, Me
June 10	Charles M Noyes	63	11	8	Atkinson	M		M	James Noyes	Polly Page	Atkinson	Atkinson
Nov, 5	Sarah P Grover	82		16	Warren, Me	F		M	David Page	Sarah Crawford	"	Warren, Me

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